

Lesson 12

Jesus The King of Kings and Lord of Lords

Bible Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20, Revelation 4 and 5

Memory Verse: "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing." *Revelation 5:12*

Enrichment Memory Verse: "Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." *Matthew 28:20b*

Catechism Memory Work: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; . . .
What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true Man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord; who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, bought me and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with silver and gold, but with His holy and precious blood and with His innocent sufferings and death; in order that I might be His own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness; even as He is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

TEACHER PREPARATION

Prepare to Teach:

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Prepare Materials:

Along with the regular materials needed for class, you will need the following items for this lesson:

- ♦ Quarter-long project materials (listed in Introductory section): for this, Lesson 12, have the students add onto last week's message thus completing the project for this quarter on the study of "The Son, Our Redeemer:" "even as He

Prayer Preparation

1. Pray that you may be prepared to teach this lesson through Bible study and careful preparation.
2. Remember to pray for each of your students every day. Pray that their hearts may be sensitive to God's call. Pray that God's Spirit may prepare a lesson geared to each one's need.

BIBLE BACKGROUND

A. Bible Study

When the Lord ascended into heaven He did so visibly and will return one day physically and visibly. When He ascended He did not leave the disciples without tools to make more disciples. He specifically instructed them concerning the call to baptize and the ongoing work of teaching. He also did not leave His disciples without a promise. He would be with them to the end of the age. We confess that our Risen Savior is alive and that we will not be abandoned. We rejoice during the Easter season and throughout the year that He who was dead is now alive forevermore. He is the Living One (Revelation 1:16-20). Life would have been a depressing and daunting task without the promises of a Resurrected Savior. What might the disciples focus on in their teaching? He commanded them to repent, to trust Him, and to believe the words of forgiveness and mercy He had repeated through His ministry.

The Kingdom of Israel was at its pinnacle during the reigns of David and his son Solomon. Years later, many in Israel hoped for a return to the glory of the nation of Israel under their rule. Some even believed that

when Jesus was ministering He might overthrow the Roman government and set up His own rule from Jerusalem. Jesus, however, was not interested in an earthly kingdom. Even at the height of David's military might and the climax of Solomon's splendor neither were comparable to the power and splendor of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

As King of Kings and Lord of Lords we have noted that He has no equal or superior. He is strong to save and powerful to protect us. He will not allow any enemy to tear us out of His hand. Our Savior died but He did not fail in His mission. It was a mission of sacrifice and His sacrifice was accepted by God the Father as proved by the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. He is alive. The Son of God sits at the right hand of God interceding for us, ruling over all things by His glorious power. We who have been given life serve Him in this world.

We are given only a few glimpses of what heaven will be like in the Bible. It is a place of rejoicing and peace where there will be no more tears (Revelation 21:4). This is what the Son has provided for us. We have been promised heaven. We are made citizens of His kingdom; without sin bringing sadness anymore. We will behold Him who was slain and we will sing for joy. We will be in the presence of the Redeemer forevermore.

So as we confess all these things contained in the words of the 2nd Article we end with the statement, "This is most certainly true." These words are the "Amen" to the confession. These are words of agreement that what we have proclaimed is our faith in Jesus Christ, our Lord, as He has been revealed to us in the words of Scripture. Indeed, He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

BEGINNING YOUR CLASS HOUR

Welcome

Open with Prayer

Thank God for sending Jesus to be our Redeemer.
Thank God for buying us back from sin and death
and for making a place for us in His kingdom.
Pray for listening, eager hearts so that we may learn
what God wants to teach us today.

Recite Memory Work

Listen to students recite their memory work:

From the Bible: Colossians 3:17

And

From the Catechism: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead."

Add: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; . .

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and death; in order that I might be His own, live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness; . . .

Review

Review last week's lesson (in progress).

Introduce Wall Words

ascended—

brilliant—

elders—

creatures—

Introduce the Lesson

In progress

Teach the Lesson

In progress

APPLYING THE BIBLE LESSON

Memory Work

BIBLE VERSE— Revelation 5:12

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing.”

CATECHISM—READ

The Second Article of Redemption

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; . . .

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SAY Today we finish memorizing the meaning of the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed. Can you say what we've learned so far? **CALL ON** a student to begin. After he/she has recited a portion, tell him to stop and call on another to continue etc. **SAY** Now let's read today's portion together. **READ** 'Jesus lives and reigns to all eternity' means He is alive and rules and will live and rule over everyone

and everything forever and ever. He will never stop being King. Today's catechism begins with 'even as.' 'Even as' means 'because.' Everything we have learned that Jesus will do for believers will happen because He rose from the dead and will live and rule forever and ever. Jesus' resurrection is proof that everyone who has Jesus as Savior from sin will be forgiven and saved and will live with Jesus forever. Then we finish the meaning with 'This is most certainly true.' We know all we have learned in the meaning is true because God says so in His Word. His Word is always true. **LEAD** the class in memorizing the conclusion of the meaning.

Activity Pages

Activity 1— Check Your Memory

ANSWERS

Place check marks after these numbered phrases:

1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14

Jesus is present with us in His Word. He is present through His Sacraments: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. For example, Jesus has promised that in the Lord's Supper He is physically present with us. Jesus has also promised that where two or three are gathered in His name, He is present there.

Activity 2— Let's Review

ANSWERS

true, eternity, true, Mary, redeemed, condemned, creature, freed, power, gold, holy, blood, death, His, kingdom, everlasting, risen, lives, reigns, true

CLOSING THE LESSON

Closing Prayer

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for being our wonderful Redeemer. Thank you for suffering and dying for us even though You were perfectly innocent and holy. We confess our sins to you, Lord Jesus. Forgive them for Your own sake and make and keep us as Your own. Help us to live and witness for You. Help us to be ready and watching for You to come again. We ask these things in Your name, Jesus, because You have earned us the right to come to You and ask. Amen.

Assignment

1. Send second quarter student books home with the students.

2. Remind students to share what they have learned about Jesus, our Redeemer with family and friends.
3. Remind students to continue to learn and review memory verses and catechism.
4. Tell the students they will begin a new book, in which they will learn about the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity. Ask them to find out anything they can about the Holy Spirit from their parents.